

PUBLIC NOTICE



US ARMY CORPS
OF ENGINEERS

OMAHA DISTRICT

APPLICANT: SIOUX FALLS REGIONAL
AIRPORT
APPLICATION NO: 200230033
AMENDMENT #1
WATERWAY: BIG SIOUX RIVER
ISSUE DATE: OCTOBER 31, 2003
EXPIRATION DATE: NOVEMBER 21, 2003

Regulatory Office, 28563 Powerhouse Rd, Room 118, Pierre, SD 57501

THIS PUBLIC NOTICE REPLACES ONE DATED OCTOBER 29, 2003, FOR
APPLICATION #200230033 AMENDMENT #1.

21-DAY NOTICE

JOINT NOTICE OF PERMIT PENDING

US ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS
AND
SOUTH DAKOTA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES

The application of Sioux Falls Regional Airport, 2801 Jaycee Field, Sioux Falls, South Dakota 57104, for approval of plans and issuance of a permit under authority of the Secretary of the Army is being considered by the District Engineer, US Army Engineer District, Omaha, Nebraska.

The applicant requests an after-the-fact authorization to perform bank stabilization activity in the Big Sioux River Channel for erosion protection. The project is located in the Big Sioux River in Section 32, Township 102 North, Range 49 West, Minnehaha County, South Dakota.

Department of the Army permit No. 200230033 was issued on August 26, 2002, authorizing placement of 2625 linear feet of class B riprap on the Big Sioux River Channel. The project consisted of placing Class B riprap at 6 locations in the Big Sioux River Channel.

The proposed modified project consists of placing 2008 tons of class B riprap in the river channel for shoreline stabilization adjacent to Joe Foss Field at the following survey station intervals: Station 15+35 left to 39+36 left, station 16+09 right to 20+05 right, station 34+63 right to 55+79 right, and station 55+74 left to 63+37 left (see attached drawings).

The purpose of the project is to control erosion of the clay lined banks along this segment of the Big Sioux River. The Big Sioux River Channel at this location is an artificial/relocated segment constructed by the applicant in 1998 in association with a runway extension and airport safety project.

The South Dakota Department of Environment and Natural Resources, Division of Environmental Regulatory, 523 East Capitol Avenue, Pierre, South Dakota, 57501-3181, will review the proposed project for state certification in accordance with the provisions of Section 401 of the Clean Water Act. The certification, if issued, will express the State's opinion that the operations undertaken by the applicant will not result in a violation of applicable water quality standards. The South Dakota Department of Environment and Natural Resources hereby incorporates this public notice as its own public notice and procedures by reference (ARSD 74:51:01).

Omaha District will comply with the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, as amended. We have checked the National Register of Historic Places and "its current supplements," and no property listed in the Register or proposed for listing is located in the permit area. In addition, the bank protection project is located in a segment of the Big Sioux River Channel that has been extensively disturbed by the channel relocation and recent airport expansion work. Therefore, the Corps of Engineers has determined that the project will have "no effect" on historic properties. However, we will evaluate input by the State Historic Preservation Officer and the public in response to this public notice, and we may conduct or require a reconnaissance survey of the permit area or check for unknown historic properties, if warranted.

In compliance with the Endangered Species Act, a preliminary determination has been made that the described work will not affect species designated as threatened or endangered or adversely affect critical habitat. In order to complete our evaluation of this activity, comments are solicited from the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and other interested agencies and individuals.

The decision whether to issue a permit will be based on an evaluation of the probable impacts including cumulative impacts of the proposed activity on the public interest. That decision will reflect the national concern for both protection and utilization of important resources. The benefit, which reasonably may be expected to accrue from the proposals, must be balanced against its reasonably foreseeable detriments. All factors which may be relevant to the activity will be considered including the cumulative effects thereof; among those are conservation, economics, aesthetics, general environmental concerns, wetlands, cultural values, fish and wildlife values, flood hazards, flood plain values, land use, navigation, shoreline erosion and accretion, recreation, water supply and conservation, water quality, energy needs, safety, food production, and, in general the needs and welfare of the people. In addition, the evaluation of the impacts of the project on public interest will include application of the guidelines promulgated by the Administrator, Environmental Protection Agency, under authority of Section 404(b) of the Clean Water Act (40 CFR Part 230).

The Corps of Engineers is soliciting comments from the public; Federal, state, and local agencies and officials; Indian Tribes; and other interested parties in order to consider and evaluate the impacts of this proposed activity. Any comments received will be considered by the Corps of Engineers to determine whether to issue, modify, condition or deny a permit for this proposal. To

make this decision, comments are used to assess impacts on endangered species, historic properties, water quality, general environmental effects, and the other public interest factors listed above.

Comments are used in the preparation of an Environmental Assessment and/or an Environmental Impact Statement pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act. Comments are also used to determine the need for a public hearing and to determine the overall public interest of the proposed activity.

Any person may request, in writing, within the comment period specified in this notice, that a public hearing be held to consider this application. Requests for public hearings shall state, with particularity, the reason for holding a public hearing. The request must be submitted to the US Army Corps of Engineers, South Dakota Regulatory Office, 28563 Powerhouse Road, Room 118, Pierre, South Dakota 57501.

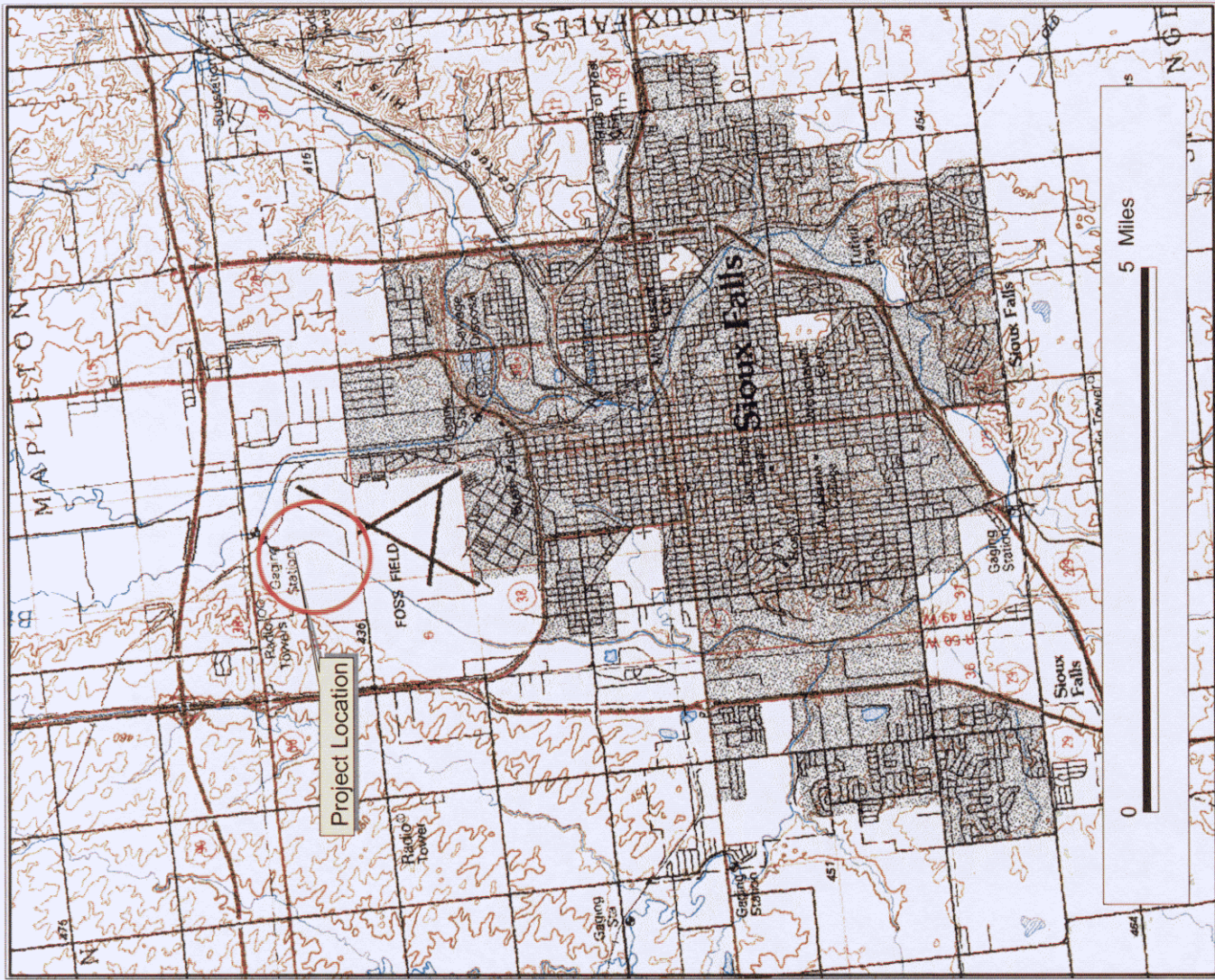
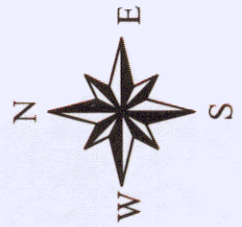
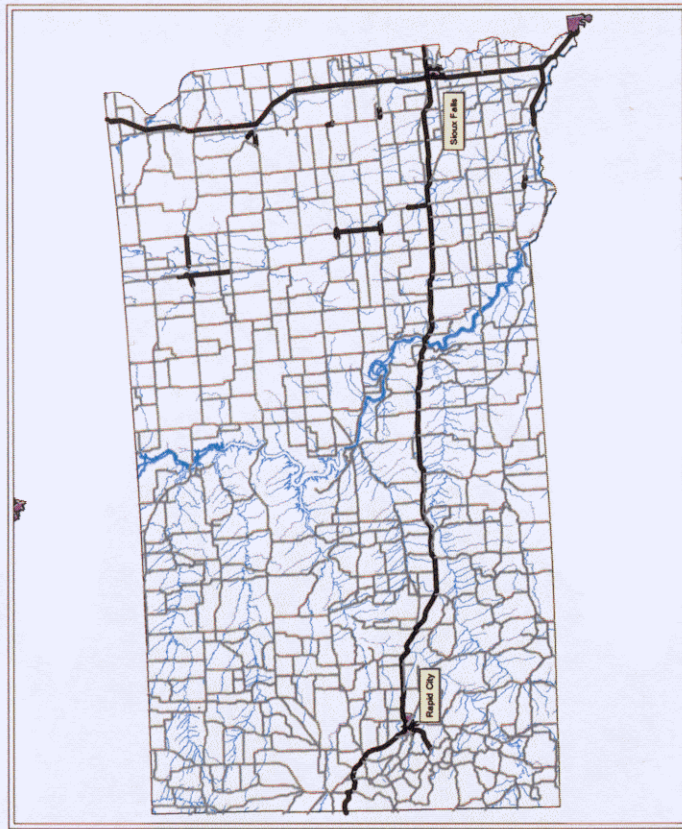
Any interested party (particularly officials of any town, city, county, state, Federal agency, Indian Tribe, or local association whose interests may be affected by the proposed work) is invited to submit to this office, written facts, arguments, or objections on or before November 21, 2003. Any agency or individual having an objection to the proposed work should specifically identify it as an objection with clear and specific reasons. Comments, both favorable and unfavorable, will be accepted, made a part of the record and will receive full consideration in subsequent actions on this permit application. All replies to the public notice should be addressed to the address listed in the previous paragraph. Andy Mitzel, telephone number (605) 224-8531, may be contacted for additional information.

Comments received after the close of the business day on the expiration date of this public notice will not be considered.

This project, if authorized, will be under the provisions of Section 404 of the Clean Water Act.

Drawings showing the location and extent of the work are attached to this notice.

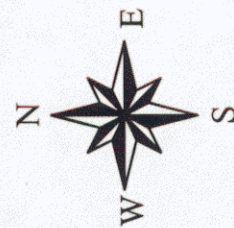
Big Sioux River Channel Riprap Project Amendment Sioux Falls Airport



PURPOSE: Bank Stabilization
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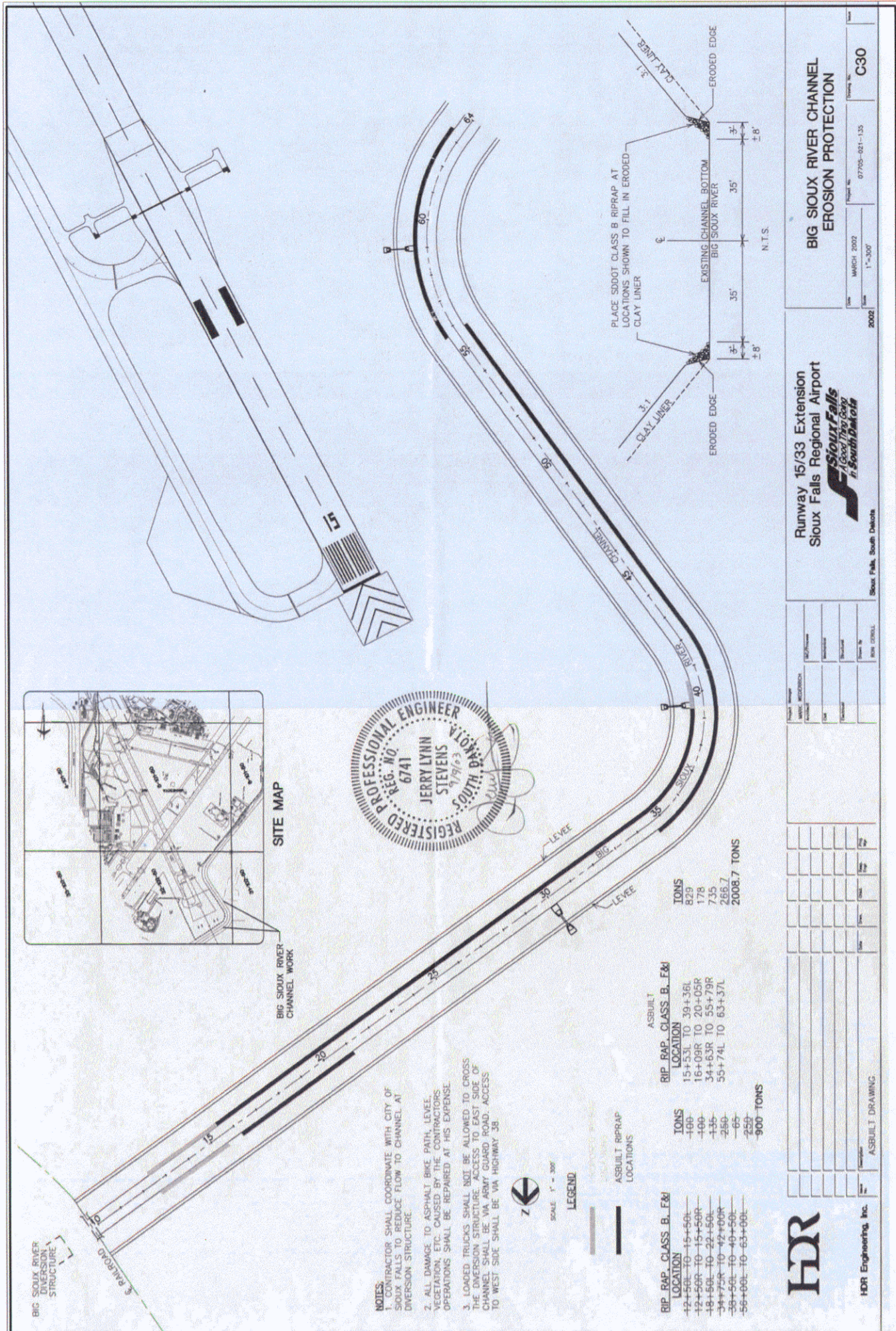
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Big Sioux River Channel
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NOTES:

1. CONTRACTOR SHALL COORDINATE WITH CITY OF SIOUX FALLS TO REDUCE FLOW TO CHANNEL AT DIVERSION STRUCTURE.
2. ALL DAMAGE TO ASPHALT BIKE PATH, LEVEE, VEGETATION, ETC. CAUSED BY THE CONTRACTORS OPERATIONS SHALL BE REPAIRED AT HIS EXPENSE.
3. LOADED TRUCKS SHALL NOT BE ALLOWED TO CROSS THE DIVERSION STRUCTURE. ACCESS TO EAST SIDE OF CHANNEL SHALL BE VIA ARMY GUARD ROAD. ACCESS TO WEST SIDE SHALL BE VIA HIGHWAY 38.

RIP RAP CLASS B, F&I	TONS	ASSULT	RIP RAP CLASS B, F&I	TONS
42+50L TO 45+50L	400	15+53L TO 39+36L	829	
45+50L TO 48+50L	400	16+09R TO 20+05R	178	
48+50L TO 52+00R	435	34+63R TO 55+79R	735	
52+00R TO 55+50L	250	55+74L TO 63+37L	266.7	
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HDR Engineering, Inc.

Runway 15/33 Extension
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BIG SIOUX RIVER CHANNEL
EROSION PROTECTION

DATE	MARCH 2002	PROJECT NO.	07705-021-135	SHEET NO.	C30
SCALE	1"=100'				

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